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SUBJECT: RECENT DEVELOPMENTS CONCERNING CELU

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1. DURING COURSE OF PAST WEEK SERIES OF MEETINGS HELD BETWEEN CELU CHIEF LABOR COMMISSIONER TEFERRA, MINISTER OF NATIONAL RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT MEBRATE, AND "DIRG" SOCIAL COMMITTEE. IT WAS AGREED THAT MAINTAINING VIABLE CELU WOULD BE PUBLIC POLICY. CELU SHOULD CONTINUE REGULAR TRADE UNION ACTIVITIES, HANDLE GRIEVANCES, NEGOTIATIONS AND LABOR RELATIONS BOARD CASES FOR AFFILIATED UNIONS, AND IMPROVE AND EXPAND EDUCATION PROGRAMS (PRESUMABLY INCLUDING POLITICAL EDUCATION). CELU WOULD ALSO WORK WITH WORKS' COUNCILS AND TRAIN MEMBERS TO PARTICIPATE IN MANAGEMENT AND PLANNING.

2. "DIRG" CONTINUES TO EXPRESS CONCERN OVER INTERNAL DIVISIONS AND TENSIONS WITHIN CELU. GENERAL ASSEMBLY CALLED FOR MARCH 1 AND 2, BUT SITUATION IN ASMARA MAY MAKE IT DIFFICULT OR IMPOSSIBLE FOR ASMARA DELEGATES TO ATTEND. IF POSTPONEMENT BECOMES NECESSARY, STRESSES AND STRAINS WOULD BE HEIGHTENED BETWEEN CELU FACTIONS AND FURTHER MILITARY INTERVENTION COULD FOLLOW.

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